ACADEMIC STATUS

GOOD STANDING

Students can remain in good standing by complying with all academic standards, policies, and regulations established by AUA and by satisfying all financial obligations to the university or its affiliated lender. Students become not in good standing if they fall into the following categories:

(1) Academic Probation - A warning that a student has fallen into academic difficulty and that they need to improve their grades in order to reach “Good Standing” status to avoid risk of dismissal from the University,
(2) Non-academic Probation - A warning that the student has violated the administrative code for nonacademic misconduct and may remain enrolled in the university only upon conditions set forth, for a specified period of time, or
(3) Not meeting financial obligations.

The University reserves the right to withhold services, transcripts and certifications from a student who is not in good standing.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP)

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) represents an acceptable level of performance in meeting degree requirements within specific time periods. It is used in both academic evaluation and determination of financial aid eligibility.

AUA College of Medicine’s curriculum consists of 8 semesters of academic coursework leading to the degree of Doctor of Medicine (MD). At the end of every semester, the Promotions Committee evaluates each student’s academic progress based upon faculty approved criteria to ascertain if the student is making satisfactory academic progress toward the MD.

The following criteria constitute SAP:

1. Completing the required basic science courses (Semesters One through Four & BSIC Intercession) in no more than seven semesters and passing all coursework while on academic probation
2. Obtaining the minimum required certifying score on the Comprehensive Basic Science Examination and passing the USMLE Step 1 within the established period of eligibility
3. Completing the MD program in its entirety within 81 months or 6.75 calendar years of attendance*
4. For those students that have been readmitted, meeting all conditions set forth in readmission decision letter
5. Maintaining good academic standing

*For transfer students: The amount of transfer credit awarded from your previous institution is evaluated and factored into SAP limits. Time completed is based on the amount of time it would take
an AUA student to complete all accepted transfer credits under the curriculum in which the student was accepted.

Students not in compliance with SAP are subject to dismissal.